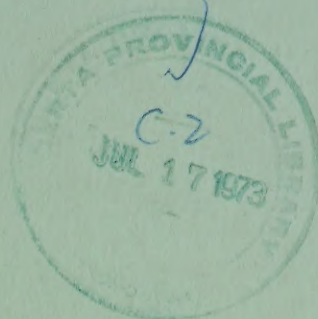


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ALBERTA EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

CONFERENCE WITH MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

PALLISER HOTEL, CALGARY - 14, 15, 16 February 1973

A G E N D A

CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN - E. TYLER, DIRECTOR, ALBERTA EMERGENCY MEASURES

Wednesday, 14 February 1973

(Palliser Room)

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|------------------------|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 10:30 a.m. - 1:20 p.m. | - | Registration                                                                      |
| 1:20 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.  | - | Opening Remarks - Chairman                                                        |
| 1:25 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.  | - | Welcome - His Worship R. Sykes<br>Mayor of the City of Calgary                    |
| 1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  | - | Address - Honourable Dr. Hugh M. Horner<br>Deputy Premier                         |
| 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.  | - | Address - Mr. C.R. Patterson<br>National Co-ordinator<br>Civil Emergency Measures |
| 2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  | - | COFFEE                                                                            |
| 3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.  | - | Report of Special EMO Committee<br>Alderman A. Berry, Calgary                     |
| 3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  | - | Syndicate Discussion - Committee Report                                           |
| 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  | - | "No-Host" Reception - (Oval Room)                                                 |

Thursday, 15 February 1973

(Palliser Room)

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| 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.   | - | Syndicate Discussions - Presentations of<br>Dr. Horner and Mr. Patterson |
| 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  | - | Peacetime Disaster Operations - Chairman                                 |
| 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | - | COFFEE                                                                   |
| 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon | - | Syndicate Discussion - Peacetime Disaster                                |
| 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.  | - | LUNCH                                                                    |
| 1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.   | - | Syndicate Discussion - Hazard Analysis                                   |
| 2:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.   | - | COFFEE                                                                   |
| 2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.   | - | Syndicate Discussion - Public Information                                |
| 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.   | - | Syndicate Discussion - Training                                          |
| 7:00 p.m.               | - | Banquet (Palliser Room)                                                  |

Friday, 16 February 1973

(Palliser Room)

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|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.   | - | Syndicate Discussion - Finance                        |
| 9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.  | - | COFFEE                                                |
| 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 noon | - | General Discussion - Resolutions -<br>Closing Remarks |



## N O T I C E

The recommendations which may be made during our discussions will be collected and a preliminary analysis will be made and reported back to you during the Conference. A more detailed analysis will be made later.

There may also be Resolutions you may wish the Conference to consider, and this will be done on Friday morning.

To help us all to understand the content and intent of any Resolution, it is requested that a written copy be presented to the Chair, with the names of the "mover" and "seconder", and the municipality they represent included.

Normal rules of order will be used.





## ALBERTA EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

### CONFERENCE WITH MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

CALGARY, 14, 15, 16 FEBRUARY 1973

### EMERGENCY MEASURES DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

#### INTRODUCTION

1. This report outlines the principal Emergency Measures developments during 1972.

#### PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION

2. New provincial legislation concerning emergencies and disasters was drafted during 1972, and will be considered by the Legislature during the Spring Session. Final reading may be withheld until the Fall Session, permitting detailed examination and commentary in the interim. The intent is to replace the current Civil Defence and Disaster Act and associated enactments with a comprehensive statute providing the means whereby appropriate measures may be implemented to protect citizens, minimize damage to property, and ensure co-ordinated government response during peacetime or wartime emergency or disaster.

#### PROVINCIAL PLANNING

3. Part One of the revised Alberta Survival Plan, comprising background information and planning instructions, was compiled during 1971. Development of sections to Part Two, which includes the departmental and emergency service plans, continued during 1972.

#### MUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION

4. 309 Alberta municipalities, 296 incorporated and 13 unincorporated, were participating in the Emergency Measures program by the end of 1972.
5. Of these municipalities, 266 have been organized into 45 Emergency Government Areas and two Emergency Government Districts.

#### MUNICIPAL PLANNING

6. As of 31 December 1972, 79 Area/Municipal Basic Survival Plans were on record, covering 294 of the participating municipalities. During the year, 53 emergency service Annexes to these Plans were approved.

#### MUNICIPAL RADIOLOGICAL DEFENCE PROGRAM

7. The distribution of Radiological Defence equipment remained virtually



unchanged during 1972 with 234 municipalities now holding inventories. The equipment maintenance program continued in operation.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION

8. Since the Alberta Bureau of Public Affairs commenced operations in early 1972, Alberta Emergency Measures has worked in close consultation with that agency on all public information matters. This relationship has resulted in a new approach to this activity, and for the 1973/74 fiscal year Alberta EMO is projecting an expanded information program constituting a significant departure from the long-time adherence to "low-key" public information practices.

9. Throughout 1972 Albertans continued to be informed of Alberta Emergency Measures matters through information releases, radio and television interviews, public talks, Alberta EMO School lectures, distribution of literature, film library operations, displays, information kits for schools, and via the Alberta EMO publication "Survival". Specific assistance was also given to school pupils and university students pursuing emergency measures assignments.

10. During the year, 209 films were loaned from the Headquarters Alberta EMO Film Library.

11. Over 26,000 pamphlets were also distributed; some in response to nearly 150 inquiries directed to "Box 10,000, Edmonton"; several hundred through Welcome Wagon services; more to candidates on Emergency Measures courses; and large numbers through the efforts of Emergency Measures Co-ordinators.

12. Over two thousand column inches relating to emergency measures appeared in 1972 Alberta newspapers.

13. Plans were formulated during the year, in conjunction with the Bureau of Public Affairs, for the production of a display covering peacetime emergencies; initial showing of this display is planned for the 1973 Alberta EMO Conference with Municipal Officials.

#### CONFERENCES AND STUDIES

14. During the year, 20 key Emergency Measures appointees from Alberta municipalities and government departments and agencies attended various planning conferences at the Canadian Emergency Measures College, Arnprior, Ontario. In addition, 6 other representatives participated in workshops and studies conducted at the College.

#### TRAINING AND EXERCISES

15. Training. Emergency Measures Training during the year included:

- a. Fifty Albertans attended courses at the Canadian Emergency Measures College;



- b. 263 candidates participated in courses at the Alberta Emergency Measures School in Edmonton;
- c. Over 700 volunteers received training from provincial instructors during 46 extension courses conducted in municipalities;
- d. 185 fire fighters were given special training;
- e. Basic and refresher training conducted by municipal instructors comprised 44 courses;
- f. In addition to Emergency Hospital training sessions at Westlock and Claresholm involving over 450 participants, 42 Albertans received training in First Aid, 48 in Home Nursing, and 21 in Hospital Experience courses.

16. Exercises. Twenty-two exercises were conducted during the year. Headquarters Peace River Zone was practised and evaluated during Exercise SAMEX II. The operational plans of one Municipal and two Area EGHQs were exercised, and two municipalities had peacetime disaster exercises. Hospital Disaster exercises were conducted in 16 Alberta communities.

17. Rescue Competition. The annual Rescue Competition was held in June at the Alberta EMO Rescue Training Facility, Edmonton. Both the "Honourable L.C. Halmrast Trophy" for best rescue skills, and the "Peter Cohen Trophy" for best First Aid techniques, were won by the Border County Emergency Government Area team.

#### EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

18. Alberta EMO staff were again involved in emergency operations ranging from floods to forest fires, and including, for the first time, involvement in special rehabilitation and recovery measures. Details of these operations are published separately.

#### ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

19. Emergency Mobile Communications Facility. The units were exercised three times during the year, and further modifications were made to improve effectiveness. General Mobile Radio Telephone installations in the vans were licensed.

20. Emergency Communications Planning. Twelve Area/Municipal EGHQ communications plans were reviewed with the responsible local AGT personnel.

21. Line Load Control. The revised administration system continued in effect. LLC facilities became available in exchanges serving Grande Prairie, Peace River and Sherwood Park.

22. Amateur Radio. The Alberta Emergency Measures Amateur Radio Network was exercised each Sunday during the year.

23. Exercises. Advance Party personnel of the AGT Emergency Operations Organization participated in Exercise "Familiar Two", to test advance element procedures and functions.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

24. Review and updating of Emergency Police Service plans continued during 1972, and a police plan covering peacetime disasters was issued to all R.C.M. Police Detachments in Alberta.

25. The Police Reserve list was again reviewed, and the survey of vital points continued.

26. R.C.M. Police participated in the Peace River Zone Headquarters Exercise "SAMEX II", and several Area and local exercises, including those at Olds and St. Albert.

27. Members of "K" Division, R.C.M. Police, attended courses at the Canadian Emergency Measures College, Arnprior, and at the Alberta Emergency Measures School in Edmonton.

28. A display depicting Police involvement in emergencies and disasters was exhibited during Police Week.

#### DEPARTMENT OF MANPOWER AND LABOUR

29. Review and updating of Area/Municipal Emergency Fire Service plans continued in 1972.

30. Emergency Fire Service personnel participated in the Zone and Area/Municipal exercises during the year, and training of fire fighters on extension courses and at the Alberta Fire Training School, Vermilion, progressed as planned.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT -- EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES

31. Planning. Planning for Area/Municipal Emergency Health Services progressed, with nine Health Annexes processed during the year. Four Active Treatment hospitals completed and tested their Disaster Plans.

32. Training. EHS staff participated in the Peace River Zone Headquarters and Medicine Hat EGHQ exercises. Twenty-one vacancies on courses at the Canadian Emergency Measures College were filled by Alberta medical and associate medical personnel. Ten EHS courses were conducted, forty lectures presented, and two exercises conducted using the Emergency Hospital allotted for training.

33. Supplies. Four Hospital Disaster Kits were issued to three Active Treatment Hospitals.



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT -- EMERGENCY WELFARE SERVICES

34. Planning. The Social Development section of the Department's emergency operations plan was rewritten and published. Two new Area/Municipal Emergency Welfare Service Annexes were completed, and twelve others updated during the year. Emergency plans for four Welfare Institutions were prepared and included in the City of Calgary Survival Plan.

35. Training. Three Provincial Government staff members attended courses at the Canadian Emergency Measures College. Seven EWS courses were conducted at Edmonton, and eleven at various municipalities. EWS staff participated in the Peace River Zone Headquarters exercise, an Area EGHQ exercise, and a peacetime disaster exercise during the year.

36. Operations. EWS staff were involved in the evacuation of the Swan Hills community during the forest fire threat in June, and in the care of sixty families forced from their Peace River homes by the 1972 flood. Details of these emergency operations are published separately.

37. Supplies. Visits to municipalities included inspection of locally held EWS supplies. Arrangements were concluded to obtain twenty thousand blankets from Alberta Forest Service stocks over the next two years. Over five hundred additional blankets were placed in storage at High Prairie.

ESSENTIAL RECORDS

38. The microfilming office processed records for the Department of the Attorney General Companies Branch, the Department of Lands and Forests, and the Surface Rights Board. More than 300,000 items were filmed, bringing the total thus far to over five million.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

39. Many other departments and agencies continued their liaison on preparedness matters, designated staff for emergency functions, participated in exercises, where applicable, and continued storage of their essential records.

HQ ALBERTA EMO  
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